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DETAILED ACTION

1. The proposed After Final amendment, filed on 08/18/2008, will not be entered because it raises new issues for further consideration, such as new limitations of claim 20, for example, “consist of”.

Response to Arguments

Applicants’ arguments filed 08/18/2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

2. In regarding to 35 USC 112 first paragraph rejection of previous claim 20, filed on (05/23/2008), Applicants’ argument would have been persuasive if the claim has not been amended with new limitations.

3. In regarding to 35 USC 103(a) rejection of claim 20 based on Iseki ‘371, Gomi ‘325, further in view of Yoshioka ‘487, Applicants’ argument is not persuasive because the amendment has not been entered.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Keath T. Chen whose telephone number is 571-270-1870. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8:30-5:00 EST.

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